



“My goal in each case is to identify and execute the unanswerable legal argument that will corner the opposition and bring about a favorable result.”

I focus my practice in the areas of complex commercial litigation and professional malpractice. During my tenure with the firm, I have played an integral role in a wide range of litigation matters in state and Federal court, including briefing and arguing dispositive motions, taking and defending depositions, and presenting oral argument and examining witnesses at trial.

COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

- Successfully represented technology company in bringing suit against the dominant companies in its industry for **antitrust violations, civil conspiracy, and unfair competition**. **Briefed and argued client’s opposition to defendants’ motions to dismiss** in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas. Following the court’s denial of defendants’ motions, obtained confidential **favorable settlement** on client’s behalf.
- Drafted **appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit** on behalf of dental implant company seeking declaratory judgment that its insurer had a duty to defend the company in an underlying lawsuit for patent and trademark infringement. **Obtained favorable settlement** prior to oral arguments.
- Represented **private equity firm** in bringing suit in the Commercial Division of New York County state court for **breach of contract** and **fraud** against buyer of software company. Obtained confidential **favorable settlement** on client’s behalf.
- Successfully defended **Physician** against subrogee-insurance company’s **claim for implied indemnity** in connection with settlement of underlying medical malpractice case. Obtained summary judgment in client’s favor.
- Represented national law firm against recruiter who was seeking six-figure placement fee for lateral partner hiring. Deposed numerous fact witnesses and prepared expert witness for deposition. **Brief and argued successful motion for summary judgment resulting in a finding of zero liability.**

- Represented Chicago-based **real estate partnership** in action for **fraud, breach of fiduciary duty and conversion** against company's former manager. Successfully briefed and argued opposition to motions to dismiss and for summary judgment. **Second-chaired trial and delivered opening argument. Obtained a judgment in client's favor following trial.**
- Defended Chicago-area **real estate company** against claims for **rescission, securities fraud, and injunctive relief** arising from asset purchase and stock transaction. Assisted in drafting motion for temporary restraining order and **second-chaired preliminary injunction hearing.**
- Represented **medical equipment company** in prosecuting two **breach of contract** actions. Obtained favorable settlements in each matter.
- Represented real estate investor in action against former partner and his co-conspirators for conspiracy to defraud, breach of promissory note, aiding and abetting fraud, and breach of contract in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. **Brief and argued successful opposition to defendant's motion to dismiss.** Assisted in obtaining favorable settlement.
- Represented North American **building supply company** in **breach of contract** action. Deposed numerous fact witnesses. **Second-chaired arbitration proceeding and obtained award in client's favor.**
- Assisted in successfully defending Chicago-area **restaurant and tavern** against an **action for forcible entry and detainer.** Obtained summary judgment in client's favor.
- Assisted in defending **former securities broker** against action for **aiding and abetting breach fiduciary duty, commercial bribery, and securities fraud.** Case currently pending in the Northern District of Illinois.

PROFESSIONAL MALPRACTICE

- Prosecuted **legal malpractice action** in the Circuit Court of Dane County, Wisconsin on behalf of Milwaukee-based **industrial engineering company** against one **national law firm** and one **international law firm.** In the weeks before trial, drafted and argued client's opposition to a motion to compel and motions in limine, drafted trial memo and demonstrative exhibits, and prepared fact witnesses for examination. **Assisted in obtaining favorable settlement on second day of trial.**
- Assisting in representing **the country's leading school bus transportation provider,** in prosecuting a **legal malpractice** claim arising out of a personal injury lawsuit that resulted in a \$6 million jury verdict against the client due to its attorneys' negligence in handling the case.
- Without filing a lawsuit, **obtained six-figure settlement** for former shareholders of direct marketing company in **accounting malpractice matter** against company's former accountants. Settlement achieved based upon correspondence alleging that the accountants' negligent preparation of annual audits and tax returns had unnecessarily exposed shareholders to

substantial liability and post-closing purchase price adjustments in connection with their sale of the company.

EXPERIENCE

- Taught high school English and Drama at Chelsea Senior High School in New York, New York from 2003-2005
- LSAT Teacher and Private Tutor for Kaplan, Inc. in Tallahassee, Florida, New York, New York and Chicago, Illinois from 2002-2008

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Appointed Member of the Illinois State Bar Association Civil Practice & Procedure Section Council
- Social Chair for the Chicago-Lincoln chapter of the American Inns of Court
- Alumni volunteer for Chicago-Kent College of Law Moot Court Honor Society
- Member of Chicago Symphony Orchestra's Overture Council

JUDICIAL EXTERNSHIP

- Honorable Samuel Der-Yeghiayan, Northern District of Illinois

EDUCATION

J.D., *with honors*, Chicago-Kent College of Law

- *Chicago-Kent Law Review*, Member
- *Moot Court Honor Society*, Vice President
- Semi-finalist: 2007 Wagner Labor and Employment Law Moot Court Competition
- Best Oralist in Preliminary Rounds: 2007 National Health Law Moot Court Competition
- Teaching Assistant for Torts, Professor Ralph Brill
- CALI Award for the highest grade in Public Sector Labor Law

M.S., *cum laude*, Fordham University

- Member of Americorps and the New York City Teaching Fellows
- Obtained Permanent Certification in Secondary English Education in the state of New York

B.A., *cum laude*, Florida State University

- Editor of School of Theatre's Quarterly Newsletter